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PRODUCTION OF EGGS

MARCH 1961

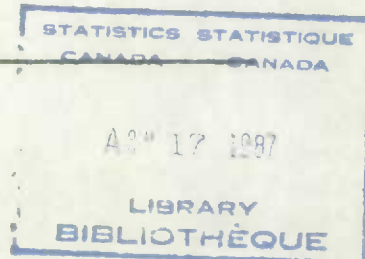
The estimated production of eggs in Canada ^{1/} during March at 40.6 million dozen was 3.6 per cent more than the 39.2 million dozen produced in March 1960. Although the number of layers declined by 0.4 per cent to 27.4 million the rate of lay increased from 1,725 to 1,790. In February the number of layers was 0.7 per cent less than during the same month last year.

Producer sales of market eggs during March are estimated at 33.8 million dozen compared with 32.5 million dozen in March 1960. The average price of eggs to producers, as reported in the monthly sample survey, was 32.1 cents per dozen in February and 32.3 cents per dozen in March. The corresponding farm prices reported in February and March 1960 were 27.2 and 32.6 cents, respectively.

Egg production in the first quarter of 1961 was 117.2 million dozen an increase of 1.7 per cent from January to March production in 1960. This output was obtained from 0.9 per cent fewer layers than last year.

FROZEN EGGS: Processing to frozen egg in all plants under inspection reporting to the Department of Agriculture during the four week period ending March 25, 1961 was 789,947 pounds as compared with 1,324,213 pounds during the corresponding period in 1960.

^{1/} Exclusive of Newfoundland.



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EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH, 1961

	Average $\frac{1}{2}$ No. of Layers	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	415	1,602	551
Nova Scotia	1,074	1,758	1,566
New Brunswick	526	1,815	792
Quebec	3,737	1,761	5,448
Ontario	10,894	1,896	17,127
Manitoba	2,614	1,673	3,619
Saskatchewan	2,632	1,673	3,629
Alberta	3,132	1,626	4,215
British Columbia	2,364	1,870	3,663
CANADA	27,388	1,790	40,610

EGG PRODUCTION, BY PROVINCE, MARCH, 1960

	Average $\frac{1}{2}$ No. of Layers	Eggs per 100 Layers	Net Egg Production
	'000	No.	'000 doz.
Prince Edward Island	458	1,800	685
Nova Scotia	1,164	1,915	1,850
New Brunswick	516	1,788	764
Quebec	3,511	1,736	5,041
Ontario	10,924	1,782	16,092
Manitoba	2,751	1,690	3,837
Saskatchewan	2,878	1,578	3,734
Alberta	3,048	1,561	3,914
British Columbia	2,253	1,758	3,281
CANADA	27,503	1,725	39,198

$\frac{1}{2}$ The average of the estimated number of layers at the beginning and end of the month.

EGG DISPOSITION, MARCH, 1960 and 1961

	SOLD FOR MARKET				USED FOR FOOD BY PRODUCERS			
	Quantity		Value		Quantity		Value	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
	'000 doz.		\$'000		'000 doz.		\$'000	
P.E.I.	586	458	165	137	74	69	20	20
N.S.	1,638	1,369	662	574	159	142	63	58
N.B.	589	620	240	275	154	150	61	65
Que.	3,973	4,268	1,450	1,554	869	876	308	310
Ont.	14,187	15,162	4,895	4,973	1,128	1,143	378	363
Man.	3,199	2,940	797	753	408	426	98	105
Sask.	2,633	2,548	661	629	925	909	223	215
Alta.	2,864	3,148	785	907	748	754	197	210
B.C.	2,875	3,262	946	1,119	255	243	81	81
CANADA	32,544	33,775	10,601	10,921	4,720	4,712	1,429	1,427

NET PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF EGGS
JANUARY TO THE END OF MARCH, 1960 and 1961

	PRODUCTION		DISPOSITION			
	Net Production ^{1/}		Sold for Market ^{2/}		Used for Food by Producers	
	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961
	'000 doz.		'000 doz.		'000 doz.	
P.E.I.	1,799	1,421	1,539	1,173	210	201
N.S.	4,954	4,692	4,377	4,183	437	374
N.B.	2,047	2,150	1,562	1,708	427	394
Que.	15,041	16,017	12,065	12,829	2,425	2,381
Ont.	47,948	48,782	42,590	43,627	3,276	3,151
Man.	11,499	10,727	9,871	9,062	1,234	1,221
Sask.	10,837	10,548	7,990	7,728	2,609	2,575
Alta.	11,496	12,537	8,821	9,709	2,110	2,210
B.C.	9,659	10,314	8,475	9,199	755	680
CANADA	115,280	117,188	97,290	99,218	13,483	13,187

1/ Includes hatching eggs.

2/ Hatching eggs not included.

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